

LOCAL WEATHER.
FOR FLORIDA—Showers north, fair
central and south portions Wednesday.
Thursday showers except fair in south
portion, moderate southeast and south
winds except east over south portion.

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ORLANDO SAYS SITUATION IS VERY GRAVE

Premier, Upon His Return to
Rome, Urges His People to
Preserve Greatest Calm
and Serenity.

AMBASSADOR PAGE MAKES STATEMENT

American Representative in
Rome Does Not Believe It
is Intention of Orlando to
Return to Paris.

Rome, April 29.—Admitting that the
world situation at present is grave,
and for Italy very grave, and it was
Italy's duty "to preserve the greatest
calm and serenity," Premier Orlando,
today delivered his expected address to
the chamber of deputies concerning the
peace conference.

Premier Orlando said Italy believed
her claims founded on such high
reasons of justice and right that any
international treaty or agreement should
be set aside so they might be accept-
ed. He admitted receiving on April
14 the American memorandum dealing
with the Adriatic question, adding that
until then he had always been assured
the American delegation had not
reached any definite conclusion regard-
ing Italy.

Deputy Turati, official leader of the
socialist party, declared the socialist
would not only be defenders of the
sacred right of self determination in
case of Fiume but also of the equally
sacred right of revolutionary Russia.

Paris, April 29.—Ambassador Page,
telegraphed from Rome today that he
had gathered from Premier Orlando in
a long conference Monday that the
premier did not intend to return to
Paris for signing the peace treaty.
The premier expressed regret that the
time was so short before the arrival
of the Germans.

Premier Orlando, Ambassador Page's
telegram added, felt his action either
way would have serious consequences.
He said he was not a man to be
driven without fully realizing the
implications of the present state of
public feeling in Italy would not justify
signing the treaty which did not in-
clude the Italian aspirations.

The British prime minister has again
intervened in the Italian situation by
sending one of his trusted associates
to communicate personally with Pre-
mier Orlando at Rome.

Versailles, April 29.—The main Ger-
man peace delegation arrived at the
Vaucluse station at 9:30 this evening
and came to Versailles by auto-
mobile.

London, April 29.—The Evening
Standard claims it has the highest au-
thority for asserting William Hohen-
sollern be prosecuted and tried not
as originator of the war but as one
of the instigators of the crimes as pro-
vided in report commission on war
responsibility.

Bolshevik forces attacked allied
troops on Murmansk railway at Kurg-
omin Monday, but were easily repulsed
says statement today from British war
office, enemy left number prisoners
behind.

SENATOR STOKES WILL INTRODUCE NEW LAW BILL

(BY HERBERT FELKEL)

Tallahassee, Fla., April 29.—Tomor-
row Senator Stokes of Pensacola, will
introduce a bill that will interest the
legal profession of the nation and will
attract the attention of the business
world generally. It provides for the
rendering by any kind in this state
having equity jurisdiction of declara-
tory decrees.

A person claiming to be interested
under a deed, will or contract in writ-
ing may apply by bill in chancery for
a declaration of the rights of the per-
son or corporation interested, and such
interpretation shall have the force of
a final decree in chancery.

Laws similar to Stokes' bill have
existed in England since 1833 and are
to be found in India, Scotland, Ger-
many, France and Spain. There was
something of the kind in the ancient
civil law, but no state in the union has
such a law.

GREATEST SHIP TO BE LAUNCHED NEW YORK TODAY

New York, April 29.—Although Ten-
nessee is a dry state and her governor,
A. H. Roberts, sent an official protest
to the navy department against such
procedure the super-dreadnaught Ten-
nessee will have a "wet" christening
when it is launched tomorrow at the
Brooklyn navy yard. Moreover, the
governor's sixteen-year-old daughter,
Helen Leona Roberts, will break the
bottle of champagne over the prow of
the vessel which is so heavy and of
such tremendous size there is only one
tide monthly sufficient to put her
everboard. She displaces 32,000 tons.

INFERNAL BOMB IS MAILED TO SEN. HARDWICK

Wife of Former Georgia
Congressman and Her
Maid Are Badly Injured
When Package Was
Opened.

ANARCHISTS PLOT HELD RESPONSIBLE

Package Bore Return Ad-
dress "Gimble Brothers, 32
Broadway, New York,"
and Was Marked Sample.

Atlanta, April 29.—Mrs. Maude P.
Hardwick, wife of former United
States Senator Hardwick, was pain-
fully injured and her negro maid lost
both hands in the explosion here today
of an infernal machine sent through
the mails to the former senator's
home here.

Senator Hardwick was at his law
office at the time. The package bore
a New York postmark and was ad-
dressed by typewriter to Hardwick at
his former home in Sandersville and
forwarded there. The wrapper bore the
words, "Gimble Brothers, 32 Broadway,
New York," and was marked "sample."

Mrs. Hardwick decided it was a
sample package of pencils and told the
maid to open it. What the police be-
lieve was nitric acid was exploded by
contact with some other acid as a num-
ber of metal slugs in the package added
to the effect of the explosion, which
literally blew the maid's hands off.
Mrs. Hardwick was burned about the
face and upper part of the body, cut
severely across the upper lip and some
teeth were loosened.

The former senator, local police and
federal officials expressed the belief
that the explosion was the work of
anarchists operating in New York.
Hardwick could assign no particular
cause for an attempt on his life.

News in Brief From All Over The Universe

Paris, April 29.—It has been virtually
decided that the first meeting of the
League of Nations shall be held in
Washington next October.

Washington, April 29.—Postmaster-
General Burelson ordered the return
of cable systems to owners midnight,
May 2.

Washington, April 29.—That the
Victory Loan is lagging appeared to
be indicated by comparison with the
progress of the fourth Liberty Loan
drive, in which subscriptions amounted
\$1,322,000,000 when the campaign
reached the same stage.

Atlanta, April 29.—Victory Loan sub-
scriptions in the Atlanta district total
approximately \$75,000,000, according to
the estimates tonight by campaign
officials based on a canvass of district
banks today.

Washington, April 29.—Brigadier-
General Richardson, commander of the
American forces in northern Russia,
reported to the war department today
that he had visited all detachments in
Archangel and found the health and
spirit of the men good. There was no
apprehension at headquarters, he said,
respecting the morale of American
forces.

Washington, April 29.—Soda water,
ice cream, sundaes, root beer, and all
other soda fountain drinks become
taxable Thursday under the revenue
act. Five and ten cent drinks and
dishes will be taxed one cent; fifteen
and twenty-cent drinks, two cents, tax
to be collected from purchaser unless
soda fountain keeper chooses to re-
duce prices to include extra tax item.

Chattanooga, Tenn., April 29.—The
Chattanooga city commission has de-
cided to ask for an injunction re-
straining the telephone company from
raising the rates in accordance with
Postmaster-General Burelson's or-
ders issued Sunday last.

LODGE OF COURSE THINKS ITALIANS SHOULD GET FIUME

Washington, April 29.—The demands
of Italy for Fiume, the denial of which
led to the withdrawal of the Italian
plenipotentiaries from the peace con-
ference were upheld tonight by Sena-
tor Lodge of Massachusetts, republican
floor leader, in a telegram sent to the
Italian societies of Boston. Lodge de-
clared the demands rest on the grounds
of her national safety and protection,
whereas the reasons advanced for
turning Fiume over to the Jugo-Slavs
were purely commercial and economic.
He could not see how Italy's request
could be properly refused.



This is the Hotel des Reservoirs, as- signed to house the German delegates sent to receive the peace treaty from the allied congress in Paris. The fences which have been erected to restrict their liberty and incidentally to keep the curious out, may be seen in the picture. Allied patrols will see that no one passes these bounds.

INTEREST IN TELEPHONE CASE IS INCREASED

Railroad Commission Indi-
cates Determination to
Urge Opposition to In-
crease in Rates.

A great deal of public interest is
being manifested in the pending re-
quest of the Southern Bell Telephone
and Telegraph Company upon the city
council for authority to increase rates.
This interest is increased by recom-
mendations recently made by Post-
master General Burelson that all wire
lines be returned to their owners at
the earliest possible time, midnight
of May 2, being the date designated by
him.

From the government back to private
ownership will have on the status of
the request of the companies to raise
rates, remain to be seen.

That whether under government or
private control it is the intention of
the Florida state railroad commission
to continue to fight the request for
an increase in rates is indicated by
the following telegram received from
that body yesterday:

Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1919.
The Pensacola Journal.

We notice by today's Journal the
Southern Bell Telephone Company has
requested authority of the city com-
missioners to increase rates which
had been granted by the railroad com-
mission. The railroad commissioners
have not granted increased rates to
this company, and on the contrary are
applying to Judge Sheppard to en-
join the proposed increased rates
which the telephone company and the
postmaster-general seek to make
effective.

The request made upon the city
commissioners at their regular meet-
ing Monday afternoon was referred to
the city attorney, who will keep the
commissioners advised as to course of
procedure necessary in the matter
and it is apparent that the proposed
increase of approximately 20 per cent
will be opposed unless it can be shown
to the satisfaction of the railroad
commission and the city officials that
the increase asked for is necessary to
afford just compensation for the
operation of these public utilities.

In some communities in some states
authority for increase in rates has
been given, though it is not believed
that conditions in Florida warrant
the increase asked for.

SHIPS FOR THE GULF COAST TRADE ARE PROMISED

Washington, Apr. 29.—Senator Tramm-
el of Florida was advised by officials
of the shipping board today that a
meeting yesterday of the board ruled
with favor upon assigning a number
of the government ships for use in car-
rying on trade between the southern
ports and South and Central America.
Senators Trammel, Simmons of
North Carolina, and Smith of South
Carolina, held an all-day conference
with the shipping board officials last
Thursday and urged that 14 ships be
located for stabilizing freight and
passenger lines between the Florida,
Alabama, Georgia and North and South
Carolina ports and Central and South
America.

The shipping board is expected to
make an announcement of its plans in
a few days.

An Army tank, nick-named "Baby
Doll" and said to have been seized
in France, arrived here by freight
yesterday morning. It is to be used
in the Victory Loan campaign.

AT NAVY YARD GETS \$40,000

Civilian Employees Have
Subscribed That Amount
—Campaign Progressing
Well in Zone.

The local Liberty Loan committee
is much encouraged with the way
subscriptions are coming in, but Chair-
man Muldon points out that "we are
now in the second week of the cam-
paign and there is much to be done
between today and May 10." Some of
the foreign corporations have come
across with substantial subscriptions,
but some action have not responded to
the appeal to help the Government's
quest.

The navy yard civilians have
raised \$40,000 so far.
Another army tank arrived yester-
day and will be in Muscogee today.
Capt. J. L. Phillips will be the speaker,
assisted by the men in the tank, who
will tell of their war experiences. It
is hoped that the tank will return
here later in the week and give an
exhibition at the ship yard.

R. P. Mitchell, chairman of the
West Florida zone, has the following
report to make:
"One of the greatest fights of the
war is now between Walton, Holmes and
Jefferson counties, as to which will
be first to go 'over the top' in the West
Florida zone. May the best man (and
don't leave out the woman) win first.
I say first because they will all win
before the week is out, but the ques-
tion is which of these three counties
will be the first to report?"

Mr. Mitchell explained that Jackson,
Gadsden, Leon and Madison counties
are all making a close contest. "Live
wires are on the job in each county,"
he said, "and it looks like a toss-up
between the four. One of the chair-
men reported that his county is going
to lead all others in the eastern part
of the zone, but Zone Chairman
Mitchell has not sent out the challenge,
not desiring to create hard feeling."

A. D. Campbell, of Washington, and
L. H. Howell, of Day, did the Santa
Rosa-Wakulla act in getting every-
body together and practically going
over the top in one day.

Cottondale, Hosford and Havana
are making urgent requests for the
army tank, and it is believed that their
application will be complied with. The
tank, which was an accident at Panama
City, Monday. The broken parts were
forwarded by express from Atlanta to
Chairman Liddon at Marianna, where
it is reported 10,000 people were gath-
ered to see it at noon yesterday. It
is expected that Jackson's quota will
have been raised. On account of the
accident at Panama City it is regretted
that headquarters that the schedule
at Cottondale could not be carried out.

The great advantage of the fair and
square system has certainly been
demonstrated in the present loan cam-
paign as the counties using this sys-
tem have been the first to secure
their quotas. Several counties did not
understand at first that the quota
committee of any county had author-
ity to adjust or change quotas, but
this information soon became known.

SEARS ROEBUCK MAY SELL SUGAR AT ANY PRICE

Chicago, April 29.—The ruling of the
federal trade commission, last June
that Sears-Roebuck & Co. must not
sell sugar at less than cost was mod-
ified by the United States court of ap-
peals here today. The court sustained
the commission's contention that Sears
Roebuck & Co. must not injure com-
petitors by advertising that the cheap-
ness of the sugar was due to the
huge buying power of the house, but
held that the mail order house could
sell at any price it chooses.

CREATION OF ROAD DISTRICT IS FAVORED

Movement Contemplates
Availing Offer of Federal
Aid in Maintenance of
Flomaton Roads.

A movement is being urged looking
to the creation of a special road district
for the improvement and maintenance
of the Pensacola-Flomaton road, the
district to embrace the towns of At-
more, Century, Flomaton, Bluff
Springs, Molino, Pine Barren, Musco-
gee, Olive and the other communities
that would be especially benefited,
along the route.

The object of the movement just
now is to make available money being
offered in Florida by the federal gov-
ernment, known as the federal aid road
fund, that may be obtained on any
interstate road project of merit pro-
vided the people directly benefited will
show the proper spirit and interest in
roads. For every dollar raised for
such projects an equal amount is avail-
able from the federal aid fund.

County Commissioner Gus Soderlund
has figured that to put the Flomaton
road in first class permanent con-
dition would cost approximately \$800,
000 and he suggests that if the people
using this much traveled thorough-
fare will, by the creation of a special
road district, raise \$400,000 by bond
issue Senator Jno. P. Stokes will see to
it that the federal aid will supply the
other \$400,000.

"A bond election will be called by
the county commissioners," states Mr.
Soderlund upon receipt of petitions
bearing the signatures of 25 per cent
of the free holders in the area affect-
ed. The petitioners must be own-
ers of tax free land in their own name
in each case and otherwise qualified
as "free holders."

The bonds of 20-year denomi-
nations could be retired at the rate of
\$20,000 per annum with an additional
tax expense of only two mills per an-
num," states Mr. Soderlund. \$20,000 in
funds that will be available from the
auto tax allotment would be appro-
priated by the commissioners to this
project, according to Mr. Soderlund.

"At the present time the main-
tenance of the road costs the taxpayers
of the county never less than \$10,000
a year," says Mr. Soderlund, who, after
having gone thoroughly into the con-
templated project, asserts that it offers
one of the best improvement oppor-
tunities to the communities through
which the road passes that they could
ever hope to avail at so small an out-
lay. As an asset to the county it
would mean greater development, more
new homes and improved farms. It
would enhance property values in the
same proportion that similar develop-
ment projects do throughout the coun-
ty and would mean a saving in wear
and tear of vehicles that would equal
or perhaps overbalance the amount of
special taxes paid, less the amount
now being expended on maintenance.

In compiling his figures on the pro-
ject Mr. Soderlund has worked on a
basis of an 18-foot road. There is
perhaps not a more important 43 miles
of road in any part of the state than
this one and Mr. Soderlund and others
who have familiarized themselves with
the project are positively convinced
that by all means the opportunity of-
fered for making this road one of the
best and most permanent through fed-
eral aid should be availed at the ear-
liest possible time.

The commissioner elicits expressions
from free holders in the communities
that would be affected with reference
to the proposition and will furnish any
information at hand or lend any aid
possible in getting the movement un-
der way by the circulation of petitions
among the free holders asking the
board of county commissioners to call
a bond election on the project.

PRESIDENT OF SENATE SIGNS NINETEN BILLS

Abolishes Office Assistant
State Board of Health and
Reduces Maintenance
Tax.

CHARITIES BOARD BILL IS KILLED

Bill Availing Federal Aid
Road Fund Offer is Passed
By Senate With Only Two
Dissenting Votes.

(BY HERBERT FELKEL)

Tallahassee, Fla., April 29.—The
senate today passed the house bill
abolishing the office of assistant state
health officer.

Passed the senate bill to reduce the
state tax for the maintenance of the
board of health from one half a mill
to one-fourth of a mill.

Passed the house bill No. 62, by
house measure permitting the board
of health to hold its annual meeting
for making rules and regulations on
any day, repealing the provision that
this meeting must be held on the first
Monday in May.

Passed the house bill number 63 by
Representative Hamblin, amending the
law prohibiting surface closets.

Passed the measure by Senator
Moore prohibiting the disposal of per-
sonal property under lien.

Passed house bill No. 111 amending
the law relating to surety companies,
their supervision and authority to
transact business, and passed the Ep-
person house bill requiring insurance
companies to procure licenses for their
agents in this state regulating the is-
suing and cancelling of same and pro-
viding penalties.

The president of the senate signed
nineteen bills that had originated in
that body and passed both houses.

In support of his successful measure
to reduce the millage for the main-
tenance of the state board of health, Sena-
tor Johnson said that under the present
tax hundreds of thousands of dollars
were accumulated that were not
needed in the health work, and he re-
called one session when the legisla-
ture transferred \$160,000 from the
board of health to the pension fund.
The one-fourth mill tax provided for
in the bill that passed the senate to-
day will raise about \$60,000 a year for
the board of health, he said.

Charities Board Bill.
Senator Carlton's bill for the estab-
lishment of a board of charities to have
charge of all state correctional insti-
tutions, serving without pay and func-
tioning similarly to the board of con-
trol, was defeated today by one vote,
the senate voting 13 to 14 on the final
passage of the measure. The bill pro-
vided for the placing of industrial
schools for boys and girls at Marianna
and Ocala respectively, the school for
the insane at Chatsahoochee and the
state prison at Raiford, under a board
to serve without salary but empowered
to employ a secretary. It carried an
appropriation of \$5,000. The bill also
contemplated a visiting board, at least
one member of which should be a woman.

Sensor Carlton said the bill, which
would take the direct management of
the institutions out of the hands of the
board of state institutions, was not
presented as a reprimand of the board
now responsible for their conduct, but
to give the inmates of the institutions
the rights they were entitled to. He
said Florida was responsible to the
boys and girls of the delinquent classes
who had been taken away from their
homes and imprisoned and that the
legislature must look further than the
dollar.

State Highway Bill.
After a most interesting discussion
in which Senator Igou led a fight for
the two-mill tax for a state system of
highways the billion dollars of federal
aid money, all of which is to be spent
under direction of the state road de-
partment, passed the senate today with
but two votes against it. Senators Cash
and Bradshaw voting "No."

The bill provides that the state of
Florida shall match the dollars offered
by the government for systematic
road construction in this state. It is
proposed to connect every county seat
with all the others by a hard surfaced
permanent road. The measure pro-
vides that each member of the state
road department shall be placed under
a bond of \$10,000 for the faithful per-
formance of his duties in the expendi-
ture of these funds. Any money left
over from proceeds of this taxation
will be spent on the roads of the state
under the direction of the state high-
way commissioner. The bill was or-
dered committed to the house imme-
diately, where it is expected to pass.

SEVENTEEN MINERS KILLED IN BLAST NEAR BIRMINGHAM

Birmingham, April 29.—Two white
men and fifteen negro miners were
killed and seven others seriously in-
jured today by a blast in the majestic
mines, 22 miles north of here. The
severely injured are white mine offi-
cials.

HARRY R. COOK PUBLISHER OF JOURNAL DEAD

End Came Last Night At
Pensacola Hospital Fol-
lowing Illness of Four
Months Duration.

HE DID WORK WELL AS NEWSPAPER MAN

Body Will Be Shipped Today
At Noon to Bridgeport,
Conn. For Funeral and In-
terment.

Harry R. Cook, publisher of the Jour-
nal, died at 10:10 o'clock last night,
at the Pensacola Hospital, following
an illness of four months. Mr. Cook
had been in failing health for some
time, having gone to Chicago early
in January, where he was under the
care of specialists. Later he went to
French Lick Springs for recuperation
and a much needed rest, returning to
Pensacola early in March.

On his return to the city he seemed
much improved in health, but a heavy
cold developed into pneumonia. An
operation proving necessary, he was
operated upon at the Pensacola Hos-
pital. The operation at first seemed
most successful, but later complica-
tions set in, and death came as a
release from much suffering, after
many weeks of critical illness.

As publisher of The Journal, Mr.
Cook has been not only successful
from the standpoint of the newspaper,
but few outside The Journal office
realize how much he was permitted
to do for the government, during the
world war, and with what unflinching
courage and zeal he carried burdens
imposed by war conditions. While
newspapers were going down all over
the country like card houses, and men
were being called to the colors, Mr.
Cook did literally the work of three
men, and did that work well. His life
was given as truly for his country as
though he had died on the field of bat-
tle.

Modest as to his own qualifications,
generous in his estimate of others,
quick to resent wrong and ever ready
to forgive and to think well of others,
he was the type of business man who
can ill be lost to any community.

Surviving members of the family are
Mr. Cook's step-mother, in Bridgeport,
Conn.; a brother, Frank S. Cook, ad-
vertising manager of the Norfolk Led-
ger-Dispatch, a sister, Mrs. M. N. Col-
lins, with whom he made his home
in Pensacola; a niece, Mrs. Joseph R.
Johnston, and nephew, Edward Collins,
of Pensacola.

The body will be shipped at noon
today to Bridgeport, Conn., accompa-
nied by his brother, Mr. Frank S.
Cook, and sister, Mrs. M. N. Collins,
for funeral and interment.

TEACHER SUPPLY IS INADEQUATE SAYS EDUCATOR

(BY HERBERT FELKEL)

Tallahassee, Fla., April 29.—Dixie M.
Hollins, county superintendent of Pin-
ellas county, returned to Tallahassee
in the interest of two local bills antici-
pating the passage of several educa-
tional bills advocated by the school
people of the state. Speaking of the
various measures Mr. Hollins said:
"There is more real constructive school
legislation in this session than in any
I have ever known. There is the free
text book bill, to provide every boy and
girl with adequate books, there is the
Mother's pension bill that will enable
the widow to send her children to
school, then there is the compulsory
school attendance bill to see that they
all go to school, there is the bill to
give them the physical training so
much needed by all, and the medical
inspection bill to safeguard their
health after they get to school, but
howabout the one great essential and
prerequisite for every school the trained
teacher. Without teachers all these
other measures must fall far short of
their great aims. For after all the
teacher is the school and without trained
teachers there can be no schools
regardless of the building and equip-
ment and attendance and physical fit-
ness of the children."

"How about a little help along the
line of supplying teachers? The state
needs annually 1,000 teachers. The
two state schools are producing about
fifty annually.

"How about a little money for state
normal schools for the exclusive pur-
pose of training teachers. Florida is
the only southern state that does not
provide normal schools for the train-
ing of its teachers. Why not Florida?"

TEN ARE KILLED WHEN KEROSENE POURED ON FIRE

Chelsea, Okla., April 29.—Ten persons
were burned to death and one prob-
ably fatally injured as a result of
an explosion following an attempt by
Thomas Ballard to kindle the home
fire with kerosene. Ballard, his wife,
six children of his and one of another
family and two other persons were
killed.